

Fremont Conservation Commission
09-22-08 Minutes



Fremont Conservation Commission
Minutes of September 22, 2008
Approved October 6, 2008

Present: Chairman John (Jack) Karcz, Members Janice O'Brien, Pat deBeer, Bill Knee and Recording Secretary Meredith Bolduc.

Chrm. Karcz opened the meeting at 7:34 pm.

MINUTES

Mbr. deBeer made the motion to amend the minutes of the September 8, 2008 meeting by changing "landowner" to *Conservation Commission* wherever it appears on pages one and two under "Glen Oakes Forest and Wildlife Management Plan"; the following is all on page two: change "grown" to *growth* on item number seven; delete "cats" in sentence three of paragraph three; add new sentence six to paragraph three *Mr. Moreno would like to learn what the range is for the fur bearing animals of interest and what the implications are for other animals if trapping is permitted*; first sentence on page three; add "about the rare separated sedge" so the sentence reads in part "*will consult with the Natural Heritage Bureau about the rare separated sedge*".

The motion was seconded by Mbr. O'Brien with unanimous favorable vote.

Mbr. Knee motioned to accept the minutes of the September 8, 2008 meeting as amended.
The motion was seconded by Mbr. O'Brien with unanimous favorable vote.

MASTER PLAN

Land Use Chapter

Chrm. Karcz reported that the Planning Board has reviewed the draft update of the Land Use Chapter of the Master Plan, inclusive of the corresponding Future Land Use Map. He said that the Planning Board has agreed that the map should be modified to increase the projected open space/agricultural zone, the areas for conservation and the standard zoning. Chrm. Karcz explained that this is just a preliminary proposal that the Planning Board is considering. It was suggested that the proposed zones can overlap i.e. a section could be designated as both agricultural and core. There was a conversation relative to transfer of density planning and Chrm. Karcz stated that there was a conversation by the Planning Board suggesting that Rt 107 along the Exeter River could be the TDR. Mbr. Knee offered that he would not like the area of the Exeter River to be the Transfer of Density recipient and suggested the north side of RT 107 could be a possible TDR. It was generally agreed that along the river should be designated for core use. There was a conversation relative to defining conservation areas in the Future Land Use Chapter and on the map.

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Chrm. Karcz also reported that the Planning Board is considering creating a sub-committee, which would be comprised of representatives from various Town Boards and/or Commissions, to generate an action plan to seek developers for the commercial/industrial areas to promote economic development.

ESTATE OF FRANK BETTENCOURT, SR.

Exeter River Camping Area

MAP 2 LOT 029

Chrm. Karcz reported that he, Mbr. deBeer, and ZBA Members John (Jack) Downing and Doug Andrew met on September 6, 2008 at 13 Clough Crossing for the purpose of a site visit that was scheduled by the ZBA. There was a discussion relative to the status of the ZBA Variance request and it was noted that the Public Hearing continuance date is September 30, 2008.

GLEN OAKES

Mbr. O'Brien reported that on Saturday September 13, 2008 there was a dedication at the Glen Oaks Town Forest area of the kiosk created by Eagle Scout Mark Prescott. All agreed that this is a wonderful contribution to Fremont's Town Forest and a thank you note will be sent to Mark. Mbrs. deBeer and O'Brien submitted pictures they had taken at the dedication of the area, kiosk and signs.

PSNH GRANT

The Commission received an application for the 2008 PSNH Environmental Community Grant. After a brief discussion the Members agreed to apply for funding for signs and posts to mark the forest trails in the Glen Oaks Town Forest.

BUDGET

Chrm. Karcz stated that on September 10, 2008 he presented the 2009 Conservation Commission budget that was approved by the Members and the Selectmen to the Budget Committee.

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

1. The Commission received a "Single Project Assistance Program" application from NROC.

Mbr. O'Brien made the motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm.

Motion seconded by Mbr. Knee with unanimous favorable vote.

Meredith Bolduc
Recording Secretary